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Remarks

The claims were amended in accordance with the amendments above. The amendments

to the claims are being made merely to clarify the invention. All of the amendments are fully

supported by the specification, claims, and figures as originally filed. No new matter is believed

or intended to be involved.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended during the telephonic interview with the

Examiner M. Ryckman on Feb. 20, 2008. The claims were amended as discussed in the

interview. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication during the interview that it is

believed the present amendments would overcome the art of record and rejections in the pending

Office Action. The Applicant acknowledges that the Examiner reserved the right to update her

search.

To the extent that the amendments constitute a narrowing of the claims, such narrowing

of the claims should not be construed as an admission as to the merits of the prior rejections.

Indeed, Applicant traverses the rejections and preserves all rights and arguments.

Based on the foregoing, all pending claims are in a condition for allowance. Accordingly,

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and an early notice of allowance

Respectfully Submitted,

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